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Mitsui Bussan Kaisha,
Hongkong, January 2, 1913. 522

RIOTS IN ANHUI.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
During the progress of the Revolution, what happened in Canton also took place in the capital of Anhui Province. The soldiers cleared out the idols, and other accessories of heathen worship, from the temple of the City god. During the month of January of this year some attempts were made, by those interested in the revenues of the temple, to reinstate the old regime, and again fix idols on their pedestals. Meanwhile, during the intervening year, the building has been used for educational purposes. The first appearance of differences of opinion was seen between the leaders of the old and new regimes; soon the matter got out of their hands, and there were strong parties on both sides; but those who favoured the reinstatement of the idols were the more numerous, but also, and naturally, the more ignorant. The question was becoming one of grave danger to the peace of the city. Thereupon, the superintendent of the police, who had been standing by watching the progress of events and public feeling all this time, intervened. He marched a company of soldiers to the temple in question, and scattered or tried to scatter those who delighted in a war of words. But these people were not so eager to disperse. Thereupon he ordered the troops to fire a volley over the heads of the people, which frightened them so that they fled in all directions. The matter, however, did not end here. The section of the people who believed in idols, tried to induce the business people to shut up their shops as a protest against the police for shooting. In this, however, there was but partial success, inasmuch as many of the shopkeepers did not sympathize with the idols, neither did they believe in them. Moreover, the movement was not well organized. Ultimately things quieted down, and what at one time threatened to be a very serious disturbance, was quelled without any loss of life, or any great and serious opposition. The superintendent of the police then issued an edict in which he roundly rated both the idols, and those interested in them, and threatened all sorts of penalties on those who dared to interfere with the trend of events, one object of which was to cast forth the idols, and turn the temples into useful buildings, which might help the state.

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T. F. HOUGH,
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Hongkong, February 4, 1913. 168

NOTICE.

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CHAN UN MAN.

Hongkong, February 1, 1913. 169

NOTICE.

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A S MR WONG PO CHUN is retiring
from business, the Hongkong Agency
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Hongkong, January 27, 1913. 131

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-FOURTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this COMPANY will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, 10th February, 1913, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1912.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will CLOSED from Saturday 1st February to Monday 10th February, 1913, (both days inclusive), during which period no TRANSFER of SHARES can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Acting Secretary to the Hongkong Land
Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.

Agents for the Kowloon Land & Building
Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, January 24, 1913. 117

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETY-THIRD ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Mansions, on TUESDAY, the 11th FEBRUARY, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 28th January to the 11th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. E. CLARKE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 13, 1913. 49

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 22nd day of February, 1913, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1912.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 10th February, to SATURDAY, the 22nd February, 1913, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 5, 1913. 173

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COMMERCIAL

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs Vernon and Smyth, in their weekly share report, dated Feb. 7th, state:-

The local market has ruled quiet during the past week, and business to a certain extent has been interrupted by the Chinese New Year celebrations. On the whole, quotations have been well maintained, and the market closes firm with a good enquiry for investment account.

The Sterling "Rubbers" are slightly lower than last week, but at the London market closed strong.

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Fine Hard Para ... 4½

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Mr. W. C. SUTER'S RETIREMENT.

The nail brings definite news, says the Straits Times of Jan. 25, that Mr. W. C. Suter has not been passed fit for further Government service in the Straits, and he therefore goes on pension, at the age of 52, after twenty-eight years' service, which commenced in 1884 when he came out as assistant master in the Government English schools, Singapore. Four years later he was appointed chief clerk in the Colonial Secretary's Office, and held that position to the time of his retirement. In addition to the ordinary work of his post, Mr. Suter was for over fifteen years shorthand reporter to the Legislative Council, and for a considerable time was managing director of the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Fund. Mr. Suter was an officer who enjoyed the entire confidence of Government in the responsible position he held for so many years. While it is to be regretted that he has not been able to complete the full term of his service, as he had hoped to do, there will be a general hope that he may be spared to enjoy a long period of retirement. Mr. Suter's friends will be glad to know that though he is still troubled with the health trouble which were the cause of his sudden home-going in August last, he is in fairly good health, and will probably settle down with his wife and family at Eastbourne.

Locks, Wharves and Godowns:-Hongkong and Whampoa Docks are firmer with sales and buyers at \$60. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves are quiet but steady at \$77, and New Amoy Docks at \$74.

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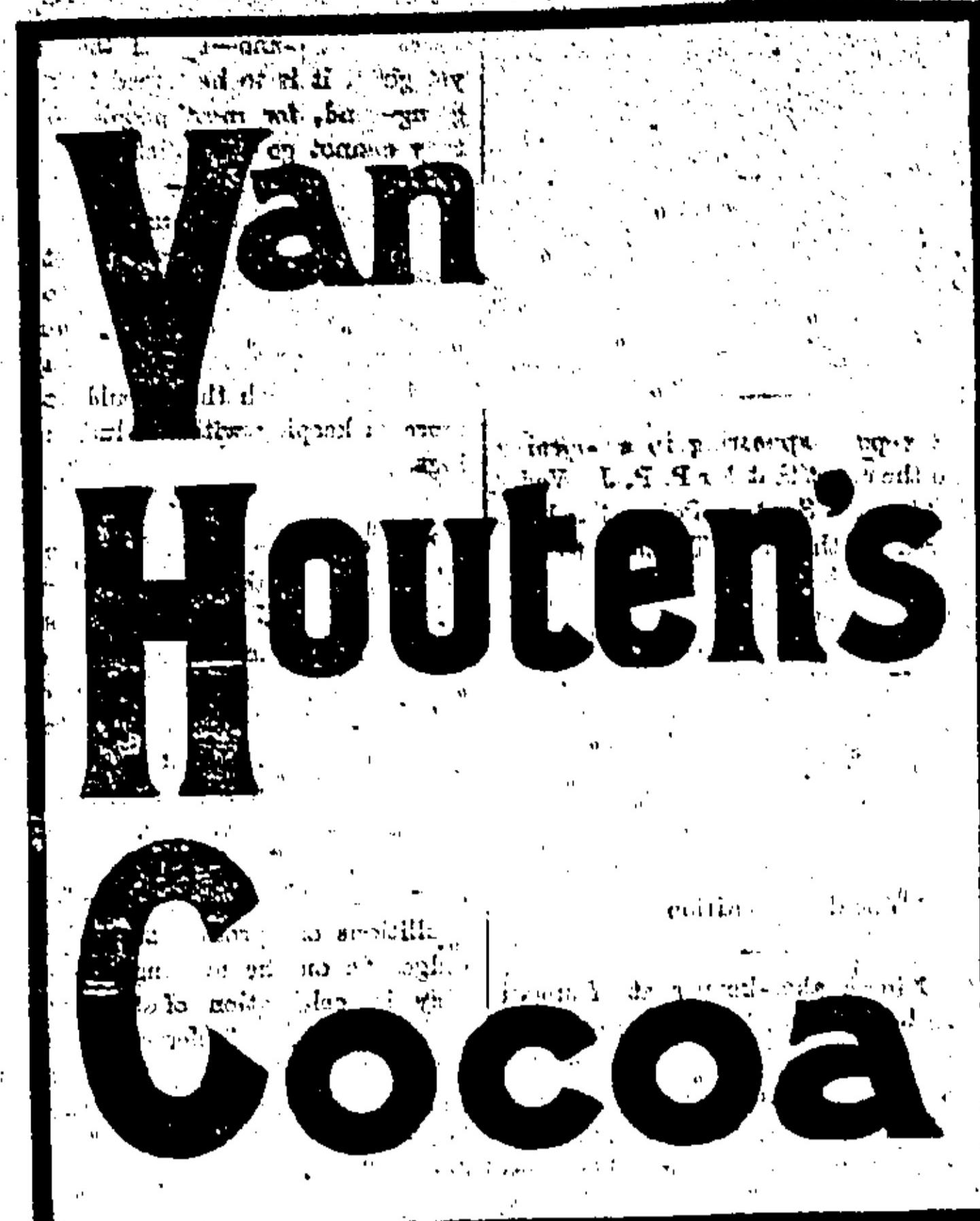
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As Exciting Day at the Strand Station.

The Shuttler had come out from the bowels of the earth to breathe five minutes of Boxing Day fresh air—the fresh air that the Strand supplies in such exhilarating quantities. He was a youngish man neatly garbed in blue, with silvery chains dangling about his person, a peaked cap of German architecture adorning his brow, and the gnomic legend

Underground

engraved upon the collar of his tunic. He cast his eye upon the raging, tearing rainstorm that swept the deserted Strand with such bitter unseasonableness, shrugged his shoulders, and turned.

"I'm going back into the coal mine," said he. "Anyway, it's dry there—very dry!"

The illimitable possibilities of the Strand Station enfolded him—the absolute autocrat of a biscuit-throw of railway line whose system will carry you from here to Everywhere in next to no time (so it says). Something rumbled far, far below, a bell tinkled, and the Shuttler vanished like some immortal pantomime character.

THE CLEANEST STATION IN LONDON.

The station entrance yawned hugely for patronage. A fascinating advertisement outside, with a lovely illuminated map to gaze upon, suggested all sorts of ways of escape from the lugubrious town. Anywhere—for tuppence of thereabouts! But nobody succumbed to the spell, for nobody seemed to believe it.

Nobody believes that the Strand Station is real, somehow. It was built and hurried, at the cost of many thousands of pounds, several years ago to be ready in time for the Coronation of our gracious King George V. to enable his faithful subjects to cross the Strand when the barriers were closed. It has never been used to any great extent since, but it is fully manned by the Shuttler (A.S.I.S.), a young man behind the ticket-grille, a pal, a mop, a brush, a dustpan, and a black kitten with a ginger-tinted tail. Thus, it is the neatest, the cleanest, and the most exclusive station in the metropolis. For the Shuttler with the map and the other domestic implements aforesaid, keeps it spotless, the young man behind the grille finds ample time between the excited rush of passengers to dust the tickets with a nose little feather brush, and the kitten (a recent importation) and not on the salary list of the company) is in training for the rats.

Up and down, all day long, and at five-minute intervals, journeys the Shuttler. To pass away the time no songs melancholy ditties to keep up his pecker and the pecker of the ginger-tailed kitten. The mop and the pail and the dustpan are commanded for orchestra, and so—somehow—the time passes.

IN SEARCH OF ADVENTURE.

It is only on the occasion of high festival, such as Boxing Day and the centenary of the birth of George Stephenson, that the Strand Station blossoms forth

into gay activity. And such a day was yesterday, when the even toner of the way of the Staff was seriously disturbed by the advent of several passengers who, in a desperate condition of Boxing Day frivolity, actually sought adventure on this gnomic line.

Two young guardians, fresh from the country, after gazing long and curiously at the alluring map outside, entered bravely and asked for tickets to Knightsbridge. They seemed amazed when the young man behind the grille disappeared for a moment into a dark corner of his domain, and after carefully dusting two squares of yellow pasteboard with his feather brush handed them to the gallant, if abashed, defenders of our island.

They walked for several miles (more or less) down ghostly, echoing corridors—until at last the kitten found them, and led them, purring, to the steel cage inside which the Shuttler was singing softly. What happened afterwards nobody knows. Perhaps search parties will be sent out from Knightsbridge to-day seeking in the giddy maze of London for two strayed guardians...

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TRY FORMAMINT TO-DAY.

Everyone who realises the danger of neglecting sore throat will make a point of keeping Wulfing's Formamint in bottles of fifty tablets; but care should be taken to ask for and accept nothing but Wulfing's Formamint, as its success has led to the production of many worthless imitations.

Write to Messrs. A. Wulfing & Co., 6, Kiakiang Road, Shanghai, who will be pleased to send, free of charge, to anyone mentioning this paper, an interesting Booklet dealing with sore throat, and written by a London physician.

At the end of the corridor the Shuttler met them.

"How far does this train go?" said the gentleman. "Holborn," was the sentimental reply—"and back."

And so they entered, with blissful innocence, upon the first great illusion. To their joy they found that the train was empty, and he squeezed her hand—

"Daily News and Leader."

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A young man from a sugar factory put up at a hotel in Soerabaya recently, says the Soerabaya Nieuwsblad. He described himself in the visitors' book as a doctor. It happened that on the night of the 4th inst., a young lady, who was staying in the hotel with her father, felt unwell. The father asked the hotel manager for the address of a doctor and the latter took the pseudomedico, who was found reading on the verandah of his room. The case was put to him, and he instantly indicated his willingness to attend to it. Questioning the lady and examining her he said that she was suffering from "lack of blood in the middle rib," and advised keeping her warm and quiet. He said he would call again the next day. But the following morning the "doctor" had disappeared. When a "real" doctor was called in, he laughed heartily at the diagnosis of his colleague and found that the lady was suffering from a slight indisposition.

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Up and down, all day long, and at

five-minute intervals, journeys the Shuttler. To pass away the time no songs melancholy ditties to keep up his pecker and the pecker of the ginger-tailed kitten. The mop and the pail and the dustpan are commanded for orchestra, and so—somehow—the time passes.

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The Gravity of Sore Throat.

Although sore throat seems so simple in itself, it may lead to such serious consequences that it should never be neglected, but should always be treated promptly.

When this is done, there is every chance that any infectious disease—such as scarlet fever, diphtheria, miasma, mumps, etc., etc., all of which begin with sore throat, will be effectively prevented. If, however, the sore throat is neglected, the disease will have time to establish itself in the system, and be much more difficult to cure.

THE CAUSE OF SORE THROAT.

Both ordinary sore throat and the grave diseases of which it is a symptom are due to germs. These germs are minute atoms of plant life which float in the air. As we breathe them, they lodge at the back of the throat, where they multiply with great rapidity.

If they are destroyed immediately, no harm follows from inhaling them. If, however, they are allowed to go on multiplying undisturbed, they produce certain "toxins" or poisons. These get into the blood stream, and thus cause the disease.

It is obvious, therefore, that the proper treatment of sore throat is to destroy the germs in the throat. There is only one effective means of doing this. This is by the use of Wulfing's Formamint Tablets which kill the germs where they are, thus curing the sore throat and also preventing the infection disease of which it may be a warning symptom.

No drugs taken into the stomach can do this. The germs can only be killed by the germ destroyer being brought into direct contact with them.

THE CURE OF SORE THROAT.

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PICTURES ONLY 7.15 P.M.

the British Empire is becoming more than ever a great reality, founded on something more tangible than sentiment—a tangibility that will go far, it would appear, to make the British Fleet the greatest power for peace the world has ever known, or, at least, is likely to prove effectual if put to a test.

The launch of the latest addition to the British Fleet—H.M.S. New Zealand—the gift of a prosperous British Colony, again brings into prominence the question of the Fleet. Such a gift, given spontaneously, is in itself sufficient justification for the statement, that the British Empire is becoming more of a reality as time passes, and that the Colonies—great States in themselves—are becoming more dearous—not only of being identified as an integral part of the British Empire, but as parts that are able and willing to assist in the burden of Empire. The British Empire has now got beyond the "pioneer" stage, and to-day it is more homogenous than any Empire ever was in ancient or modern times; and one of the most pleasing aspects of this increasing homogeneity is the fact that the great Colonies of the Mother Land realise just as fully as she does the importance—the absolute necessity—of a great fleet to guard the universal interests of the Empire, to stand strong towards the maintenance of peace and to ward off, if unfortunately the necessity ever arises, the menace of envy. All nations have their place in the Sun; the only difference being that some nations set about seeking their place while others were in a somnolent state. What Britain has, can she be blamed for desiring to keep? Her possessions, even more than the possessions of other nations, were won at enormous cost of men and money; and the descendants of those heroic men who thus built up our great Empire would be false to the trust imposed upon them, faithless to their great heritage, were they not scrupulous in its maintenance. And, in these barbarous days, for while war is a possibility—and it is still much more—"Barbarous" is almost as applicable to the present age as it was in the past. Therefore, let our Fleet be our great consideration; and all Britons, and, indeed, humane people of all nations, should rejoice that day by day it is becoming more powerful; becoming more an instrument fit to command universal peace—and that, not by the unaided efforts of the United Kingdom only, but also by the loyal and hearty support of her Daughter States that to-day form so important a part of the British Empire.

TO-DAY, it is only too evident, that national safety lies in the strength of one's fleet and that more than ever it is necessary that both numerically and in regard to the latest equipment, fleets should be the first consideration of most states. The day of big battles on land appears to be past, and there is every probability that if such a catastrophe occurs between two great nations, most, if not all, of the fighting will take place on sea. Hence the interest that is being taken by so many European countries in the development of their respective fleets, to say nothing of the interest they take in the development of the fleet of their commercial rivals. It may be proper to deplore that it should be so, but it is also quite unprofitable. We have to look at facts as they exist—and the present is by no means the time to talk moonshine about reduction of armaments, to deplore the more or less bitter enmity existing among certain sections of certain nations, or to sigh for universal peace. A clear and comprehensive grasp of the situation as it actually exists is what is required. Having that in mind, all who bear the name of Britons must rejoice to see their powerful fleet growing in magnitude, for they know, what other nations appear to doubt, that the fleet of the British Empire is primarily intended for the maintenance of peace. Circumstances have compelled the British fleet to be much more powerful than all thoughtful Britons desire it to be; but these circumstances have been of such a nature that all recognise that it would probably have been disastrous to have adopted any other course than the course that has been adopted and will continue to be adopted so long as the circumstances alluded to exist. To the vast majority of Britons that will be accepted as the best and the wisest policy, no matter by which great State Party the details may have to be considered. Better still is the knowledge that day by day

BIRTH.
CRAIG.—On February 6th, at Misterton, Somersetshire, England, to Mr and Mrs R. H. Craig, Jr., a daughter.

DIED.
GRIMBLE.—On the 1st February, at Goodmayes, Essex, HERBERT GRIMBLE, aged 40 years.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.
Noon—Kowloon Land & Building Co.'s Meeting.
3 p.m.—Sale of Crown Land at P.W.D.
9.15 p.m.—"The Taming of the Shrew" by Allan Wilkie Co., at Theatre Royal.

General Memoranda.
TUESDAY, February 11:—
Noon—Meeting of the H.K. Canton & Macao Steamboat Co.
WEDNESDAY, February 12:—
Noon—Green Island Cement Co. Extra-ordinary General Meeting.
3 p.m.—Auction of Sites for Booths and Matched at the Race Course.
MONDAY, February 17:—
5.30 p.m.—Organ Recital at St. John's Cathedral.
SATURDAY, February 22:—
Noon—Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Half-yearly Meeting.

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1913.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

Mr. A. Lamperski (of Melchers and Co.) is returning to the Colony by the Frize Etzel Friedrich.

The Chinese who is charged with a series of robberies in Kowloon was again remanded at the Magistracy this morning on the application of Sergt. Wills. The case is fixed for hearing on Tuesday afternoon.

At the meeting of the Hongkong Christian Union at St. Paul's College on Monday next at 5.30 p.m. the Bishop of Victoria will give a brief address on the recent Conference held in Canton under the leadership of Dr. J. R. Mott.

In a case in which a Chinese was charged with stealing plants from Blake Gardens, Mr. Melbourne asked the interpreter whether the plant could be used as medicine. The official caused some amusement by replying that the Chinese used everything for medicine. The defendant was fined fifty cents.

Inspector Cameron charged a Chinese before Mr. Hazelton to-day with being in unlawful possession of two buckets of coal at Yau-tai. The defendant said he was carrying the coal for Hop Kee. Inspector Cameron said that Hop Kee had refused to claim ownership of the coal, and added the Inspector, "I believe that Hop Kee is a bit of a coal thief too." The defendant was ordered to pay a fine of \$5 or go to goal for fourteen days.

MOTHERS SHOULD REMEMBER THIS.

WE wish to call your attention to the fact that most infectious diseases such as whooping cough, diphtheria, and scarlet fever are contracted when the child has a cold. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will quickly cure a cold and greatly lessen the danger of contracting these diseases. This remedy is famous for its cure of colds. It contains no opium or other narcotics and may be given to a child with implicit confidence. For sale by all Chemists and Storeskeepers.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

It is highly probable that President Taft, following the example set by Ulysses S. Grant, will make a tour of the world before settling down as a professor at Yale.

The Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes informs us that the cargo of silk shipped on board the a.m. Caledonia, which left this port on the 31 Dec. 1912, was delivered in Lyons on the 4th instant.

The report appearing in a morning paper to the effect that Mr. P. P. J. Wadehouse, Assistant Super. of Police, has been transferred to the New Territory to take charge of the police in the district is incorrect.

A body which has been picked up of Stonecutter's Island is supposed to be that of a man who was recently reported missing from the tug Atlantic. There was a wound on the shoulder which at first was thought to be a stab, but medical examination proved it to be decomposition.

A Chinese shop-keeper at Yau-tai has reported to the police that an overcoat and other property valued at about \$100 had been stolen from a bed in his house. He suspects that the robbery was committed by a visitor who slept at his house and did not stop to bid farewell before he left.

That the Chinese New Year celebrations have been carried out in a very orderly manner was evidenced by the fact that there were only nine prisoners before the Hongkong magistrates to-day. Only two prisoners were arrested in the central district, whilst the only occurrence reported by the police at West Point was the loss of a dog!

By a notice published in the "Government Gazette," H. E. the Governor has suspended the operation of the Boycott Prevention Ordinance from February 7th. Directions have also been given for the revision of the proclamation declaring the Colony subject to certain sections of the Peace Preservation Ordinance.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Yokohama Office is in receipt of a wireless message from the R.M.S. "Monteagle" sent at 8 p.m. Wednesday, February 5, when the vessel was 1,830 miles distant from Japan, advising all well and that the Commander expects to reach Yokohama at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, the 11th instant.

COMPANY MEETING.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

The ordinary annual general meeting of this company was held this morning at the Hongkong Hotel. Mr. Henry Humphreys, Chairman of the Board of Directors, presiding. Other present were Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar and Dr. J. W. Noble, directors; and Messrs. J. M. Es Machado, W. Rutter, D. E. Clark, J. Tarrant, C. B. Buyers, E. T. Bunge and Capt. J. M. Hay.

The Chairman said:—The net profit for 1912 is greater than any year since 1907 and shows an increase over 1911 of \$31,242.47. Rent account shows an increase of \$17,725.82 and this increase is not only likely to stay but should advance considerably during 1913. The items "pr. fit on sale of properties" and "commission" may be classed as non-recurrent but they are necessarily so, but because there is no certainty of making profit under these headings in any one year. Turning to the other side of the profit and loss account we find that the net profit for the year is \$4,000.12. Advances were taken of a fair sum yearly to thoroughly repair all our Chinese houses. The amount for this all alone amounted to \$10,000 of which about \$3,000 will fall on 1913 account. Interest is also up \$1,013.98. Insurance reserve fund has been increased by \$1,634.35. This sum am't represents fire risks underwritten by our agents for \$4,000.00. Advances were taken of a fair sum yearly to thoroughly repair all our Chinese houses. The amount for this all alone amounted to \$10,000 of which about \$3,000 will fall on 1913 account. Interest is also up \$1,013.98. Insurance reserve fund has been increased by \$1,634.35. This sum am't represents fire risks underwritten by our agents for \$4,000.00.

Now, I think it's a pity that Mrs. Gaunt had not developed her plans before leaving London, as her little outing promises something interesting—something rather out of the usual.

Mrs. Gaunt's mind or imagination seems to have been stimulated towards taking an interest in China by meeting Chinese in the Australian goldfields, in the days of "gold lang syne."

So the lady, we are told, is coming to China "for one year" and her attendants will probably be an interpreter and a servant.

Again I must say that it's a very great pity that Mrs. Gaunt did not develop her plans in London, so that by now we might have heard of them.

The lady evidently means something, for it will be observed that "her equipment will consist of a medicine chest, a sleeping bag with an eider-down quilt and ground sheet and a mosquito curtain."

Why the "equipment" speaks volumes—its eloquence itself. Evidently Mrs. Gaunt is "booked" for the interior, where her eider-down quilt will doubtless be a never-failing source of delight. The "ground sheet," however, seems to indicate that the lady expects to "rough it" a bit. I hope not, besides, I may be quite mistaken as to what a "ground sheet" really is. Still, I hope that Mrs. Gaunt will have a good time on her little jaunt. If she doesn't try to make many experiments with the medicine chest, she may do quite a lot of good; and, at any rate, the fact that she had something to do with "goldfields" at one time in her life will doubtless cause her to be a source of much wonder and not a little "expectation" by the Chinese.

The Chairman proposed the re-election of the retiring directors, Messrs. J. Scott Hanson, J. W. C. Bonnar, W. L. Patterson and Dr. J. W. Noble. Capt. Hay seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Bunge, Messrs. W. Huston Poole and H. Percy Smith were re-appointed auditors at a remuneration of \$300.

The Chairman announced that dividend warrants would be ready on Monday.

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RAMBLING NOTES.

Once again the Chinese New Year festivities have come—and if they have not gone, it is to be hoped that they are going—and, for most people, I suppose, they cannot go too quickly.

I admit it—the thunderous noise of the explosives have really got on my nerves; and I feel inclined to examine Chinese holiday-making and particularly their terrible pyrotechnic displays to an element in which they would possibly be more in keeping with the lurid surroundings.

Not only one class, but, apparently, all classes of the Chinese community, seem to find a never-ending source of delight in making as much of a row as possible by means of those diabolical crackers, with their terrific rattles and their vile smell, that it is well for them that they live in a tolerant age among a good-natured community.

I have a vivid recollection of similar exhibitions of uproar that used to be indulged in on the evening of the 24th of May in celebration of the birthday of Queen Victoria of blessed memory; but these anniversary outbursts were tame in comparison with the terrific uproar we have had to endure during the past few days.

Fearful and wonderful indeed must be the minds of the Orientals when such diabolical rioting can be looked upon in the light of pleasure. Why? the other morning I awoke, or rather was awakened, by what appeared to be nothing short of a catastrophe—at least one fairly substantial building seemed to be toppling down in a heap and with a terrific crash: and all that had taken place was one of the ordinary cracked fuses! I declare it gave me the worse nightmare I have had, or deserved to have, for quite a long time.

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Apparently, our Chinese friends believe that "it surely cannot be so," and, therefore, we long-suffering Foreigners, while we may find it absolutely impossible to grin, well we'll just have to bear it!

I observe that the London correspondent of the "China Mail" wrote:—Mrs. Mary Gaunt, authoress and traveller, is shortly to undertake a journey into China. The journey was suggested to her by Dr. Morrison, and Mrs. Gaunt will not develop her plans until she reaches Peking. She will be away for one year, and her attendants will probably be an interpreter and a servant. Daughter of a "gold commissioner," who later became a judge, Mrs. Gaunt spent her childhood in Bahrain, and her earliest memories relate to the Chinese who were conspicuous commercially in the goldfields. Mrs. Gaunt, however, does not speak Chinese. Her equipment will consist of a medicine chest, a sleeping bag with an eider-down quilt and ground sheet and a mosquito curtain.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

TURCO-BALKAN WAR.

SEVERE FIGHTING.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

A message from Constantinople states that all-day long firing has been heard in the direction of Derkow at the northern end of Chataldja. It is officially announced that the Turks occupied Kalikritia and other villages and heights on the Turkish right. The reconnoiters are in contact with the enemy.

NEUTRAL ZONE REFUSED.

A Sofia telegram states that the Foreign Minister has communicated to General Guechoff the request of the Consuls at Adrianople for the establishment of a neutral zone or permission for themselves and foreigners to leave. General Guechoff has refused, pointing out that there were no precedents for such a course. Besides, it would be embarrassing to the military authorities.

SHEFKET PASHA.

Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople wires that Shefket Pasha has proceeded to Chataldja as Commander-in-chief.

TROOPS FROM ASIA MINOR.

LATER. A telegram from Constantinople states that a considerable force is being collected in Asia Minor, over whom it is proposed to place Enver Bey. His purposes effecting a landing near Rodos or Media to threaten the Bulgarians flank or rear. Apparently anticipating this, the Bulgarians retired from Chataldja to near Chorlu.

Official reports of the fighting at Gallipoli make it clear that a reverse was sustained by the Turks, although details are lacking. The engagement was probably not "serious," because outside Bulair Lines, where the principal forces are still concentrated.

FANATIC OUTBREAK FEARED.

The fresh troops stood the baptism of fire badly, and it is feared that the Turkish in seeking to stir more enthusiasm are more likely to cause dangerous fanaticism.

There is considerable disquietude in diplomatic circles and foreign warships are returning.

It is believed that Adrianople will hold out for weeks, as the horse and dog flesh has not yet been touched. It is felt, however, that with the fall of Adrianople, the Porte will place itself unreservedly in the hands of the Powers.

ROUMANIA AND BULGARIA.

A telegram from Bucharest states that the Roumanian Minister at Sofia has been instructed to resume negotiations regarding the frontier question, and also to urge Bulgaria as to the necessity for a speedy settlement.

ENTHUSIASTIC MALISSORI.

A telegram from Cottinje states that King Nicholas was received by the Malissori tribe at Grada. The proceedings were enthusiastic, and three thousand Malissori joined the Montenegrins outside Skutari.

GREEK PREMIER'S PRE-DICTIONS.

A telegram from Salonika states that M. Venizelos, the Greek Premier, has arrived there and was welcomed by the authorities and a crowd of thirty thousand people. In a speech the Premier predicted that the war would speedily terminate in the defeat of the Turks and would be succeeded by a lasting peace.

NO ASSISTANCE REQUIRED.

A telegram from Sofia states that it is semi-officially denied that Servian reinforcements are being sent to Thrace, it being stated that the Bulgarians do not require any assistance there.

DEATH OF A WELL-KNOWN BREWER.

LONDON, Feb. 7. Mr. R. E. Ratcliff, Unionist M.P., for Burton Division, has died intestate, leaving £360,000. The deceased was a director of Messrs Bass, Ratcliff, and Gretton, brewers.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

MR. ALFRED LYTTLETON.

LONDON, Feb. 8. Mr. Alfred Lyttleton starts on Monday for British East Africa.

THE MARCONI CONTRACT.

A STRANGE SITUATION.

LONDON, Feb. 8.

A telegram from the Marconi Company informs the Secretary to the Post Office that they have obtained legal opinion to the effect that the Company is entitled to intiate that unless Mr. Herbert Samuel, the Postmaster-General, is able definitely to confirm the contract by March 1st, the Company will treat the contract as ended.

SUFFRAGETTES' APPEAL.

LONDON, Feb. 8. The Suffragettes are appealing to the London Sessions against their sentences of five to three months' imprisonment in the Second Division.

SCOTTISH TEMPERANCE BILL.

"DISINTERESTED MANAGEMENT" PUBLIC HOUSES.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

The House of Commons has rejected most of the Lords' amendments to the Scottish Temperance Bill. The Scottish Liberals supported an amendment giving communities the option of running public houses under disinterested management and demanded the adjournment of the House. Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. McKinnon Wood opposed this, pointing out the danger of the Bill being lost. The revolted then subsided.

THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

NEW ZEALAND AND MOTHER COUNTRY.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

Mr. Allen, the New Zealand Minister for Defence, was present at a protracted meeting of the Committee on Imperial Defence on Wednesday.

Mr. Allen, speaking at a Navy League luncheon given to Sir Joseph Ward, said the ship *New Zealand* was just leaving Britain, but that did not represent all that New Zealand was prepared to do.

THE CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN MR. ALLEN AND MR. HARcourt HAS BEEN PUBLISHED.

The correspondence between Mr. Allen and Mr. Harcourt has been published. The former wrote on February 3 that if there were any reason to postpone the departure of the cruiser, the Government of New Zealand would readily defer the pleasure of seeing her till a more suitable time. Mr. Harcourt replied that the Cabinet was much gratified with the offer, but happily there were no strategic or political necessities for the postponement of the departure of the vessel.

BRITISH AND GERMAN NAVIES.

GERMANY ACCEPTS MR. CHURCHILL'S STANDARD.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

Admiral Von Tirpitz, Secretary of State for the Navy, speaking in the German Reichstag recalled that Mr. Churchill declared that a proportion of ten to sixteen between the German and British fleets would be acceptable for the next few years. Admiral Tirpitz affirmed that as head of the German Naval department he also would raise no objection to this standard.

Herr Jager, Minister for Foreign Affairs, in his first speech in the Reichstag, emphasized the friendly relations existing between Germany and Foreign countries, especially Great Britain, and confirmed Admiral Tirpitz's statement.

BRITISH TRADE IN JANUARY.

SATISFACTORY INCREASES.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

The January imports show an increase of £4,575,541 and the exports of £5,028,827. The chief increase in the imports was in cotton, which rose by £1,753,837. Extra cotton goods to the value of £1,325,423 and coal valued at £500,000 chiefly account for the expansion of the export trade.

THE GERMAN ARMY.

A NINETY THOUSAND INCREASE.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

Reuter's Berlin correspondent telegraphs that it is stated by the "Tageliche Rundschau" that the new Army Bill will add 90,000 men to the peace strength of the German Army.

HON. MR. OSBORNE'S RETIREMENT.

THIRTY YEARS IN HONGKONG.

Farewell Presentations.

The Hon. Mr. Edward Osborne, who is leaving the Colony to-day after a residence of nearly thirty-one years to live in retirement in England, was the recipient yesterday afternoon of a number of valuable parting gifts from the staffs of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company and the Star Ferry Company.

Born in 1841, Mr. Osborne studied for the law but left the Durham firm of solicitors whose office he entered to accept a position in the head office of the P. and O. Company. His long connection with Hongkong commenced in 1882, in which year he was transferred to the P. and O. Company's local office. After spending seven years there he entered the service of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company in the position of secretary, which office he has since continuously held. The early days of Mr. Osborne's connection with the Wharf Company were times of trial and difficulty. Great opposition was experienced from the powerful Chinese guilds, and to pilote the concern through all the obstacles which were placed in its way required at the head of affairs a man possessing great tact and business ability. It is largely owing to Mr. Osborne's display of these qualities in such large measure that the company is so large and prosperous to-day. Many other business enterprises in Hongkong owe a great deal to Mr. Osborne's assistance. At a time when the Hongkong Hotel Company was at very low ebb he was largely instrumental in bringing about changes which put it upon a dividend paying basis, and he was one of the founders of the Star Ferry Company, of which he acted as secretary. In addition he served on the directorate of the Dairy Farm Company, Steam Laundry Company, the Green Island Cement Company, and several other local concerns. In the midst of all his business activities Mr. Osborne always found time to devote to the public service in the Colony. He had a seat on the Sanitary Board for several years, and since 1906 has been a member of the Legislative Council. In both capacities he rendered excellent service, and his contributions to debate were always forcible and excellently expressed. In his spare time Mr. Osborne was a great walker and the knowledge of the New Territories, acquired during his weekend expeditions there, proved of great assistance to the Council in the development of this part of the Colony.

Mr. Osborne is settling at Hythe, Kent, where Mrs. Osborne and her family have resided since they left Hongkong. He is travelling via Peking and Siberia and leaves to-day with Mr. Bryer, who is making the journey with him. Mr. Osborne was the recipient yesterday of some handsome presents from the European and Chinese staffs of the Wharf and Godown Company and the Star Ferry Company, the presentations being made in the presence of a large and representative gathering in the company's office on the wharf side. The gift of the European staff of the Wharf Company consisted of a handsome blackwood table, teppys and a photograph of the staff, which was inscribed, "Presented to the Hon. Mr. Edward Osborne on his retirement by the European staff of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, as a token of their esteem and regard." From the junior office staff Mr. Osborne received a panoramic view of Hongkong, a blackwood table, two blackwood chair and some beautiful hand-embroidered cushion covers. These gifts were accompanied by a suitable inscription. Two handsome Chinese vases and two jardinières were the gifts from the Star Ferry staff, and the Chinese staff of the Wharf and Godown Company subscribed for a magnificent silver bowl and some ivory, while the lightermen, launchmen, boat-swains and head coxes gave a beautiful hand-embroidered silk hanging emblematic of longevity, the lettering in Chinese being, "Blessing is as vast as the Eastern Seas," and "Longevity is as everlasting as the Southern Mountains."

When Mr. Osborne arrived at half past five, Mr. W. S. Brown read the following address:—We have asked you to meet us here to-day on the eve of your departure for England in order that we may convey to you our sincere appreciation of all that you have done for us while we have had the privilege of working under you. We ask you to believe that this is no empty expression but the heartfelt sentiment of men who have been proud to serve under you and who have felt and known that behind the "chief" there has always been the sympathy of a true friend—for deep down in the hearts of a large number of us there is the memory of many a kindness, useful advice, and help given at times when such were most necessary. As regards the exceptional business ability and foresight shown by us in steering the Wharf Company from the low ebb of its affairs when you were first appointed Secretary to its present day prosperity, of your untiring energy in the face of the many obstacles that have had to be overcome, it is perhaps not our place to comment upon. Suffice it to say that on looking back on your life's work in this Colony you cannot but congratulate yourself on the success that has attended your efforts. I ask you, Sir, to accept as tokens of the high esteem in which we have always held you this table, teppys and photo from the European staff, and these two chaise, cushion covers, and photo from the Junior Office staff, and this table, power blinds and vase from the employees of the Ferry Company. We wish you a pleasant voyage home and hope that you may long be spared to enjoy your well-earned rest in the old country." (Applause.)

Mr. Wong Kam Fuk, compradore to the Wharf and Godown Company, then presented the gifts subscribed for by the staff of his office. He said: Sir—"On behalf of the Chinese staff in the compradore department of this company I have the honour to-day of presenting a few articles for your acceptance. We must ask you not to judge them by their value but by the feeling which accompanies them. We ask you to accept them as tokens of our great regard and admiration for you. Sir, in your retirement we feel we are losing a kind and just master, and your sterling qualities are so well-known that it is unnecessary for me to say anything further after Mr. Brown's speech. I can assure you that we shall miss you very much. These articles are specimens of Chinese art and manufacture. You, Sir, have spent many strenuous years in this part of the world, and we hope that these articles will serve to remind you of our affection when you are far away from us. The piece of embroidery with the names of all subscribers on it is not yet finished but will be forwarded to you as soon as it is ready. I have now the pleasure to bind you for acceptance these articles and with them I beg on behalf of the presenters to heartily wish you good voyage and a happy and long life in England.

Captain Unsworth, in presenting gifts subscribed for by the Praya staff, said: Sir—"On behalf of the Praya staff, I beg to express our individual regret on the severance of your association with the Wharf and Godown Company, and we ask you to accept the accompanying small token of esteem from us. We wish to take this last opportunity of thanking you for the many favours you have conferred upon us, and hope you will safely reach home, and that you will long enjoy the well-earned rest you so well deserve." (Applause.)

Mr. Osborne, whose words were translated by Mr. Wong for the benefit of the Chinese subscribers present, replied as follows: Mr. Brown, Mr. Wong Kam Fuk, Captain Unsworth and gentleman, I have not prepared a speech, because this is one of those rare occasions in a man's life when whatever words he says should come spontaneously from the depth of his heart. I thank you most sincerely for these beautiful gifts, which will always remain to me an emblem of the many strenuous, hard, but still happy, days I have spent amongst you. There is only one gift to find with these gifts, and that is that I shall have to build a house to hold them. (Laughter.) You have kindly referred to my work with the Wharf Company, and you have said what sometimes people have said to me, that I have been to a large extent the making of the Wharf Company. But that is not so. The Wharf Company through all the strenuous years it has passed, the vicissitudes, the changes, and losses, has been made by the united efforts of every one of you, especially those of you who have worked so long with me, and more especially those who worked so well while I was sick in bed after the typhoon of 1906. I can assure you that after that typhoon my recovery was retarded because of the anxiety I felt, but when I came back and found how well every man had worked, my heart was too full for thanks. It was you who saved the Wharf Company after that terrible blow. These words are now addressed specially to those of the European staff, and more especially the outdoor staff, who through thick and thin, and through evil times, worked as hard as any man could possibly work. I cannot tell you how much I have appreciated your help on those occasions. I am speaking now to Mr. Wong Kam Fuk, who has been with the Company longer than I have. Mr. Wong Kam Fuk is what is called in my country one of nature's gentlemen. I cannot conceive that any higher compliment can be paid to any man than to be called a gentleman of nature. He has worked hard. He has worked for his staff. He has quarrelled with me, he has argued with me, and he has generally turned me inside out, but all the time he has worked for the good of the Wharf Company. I cannot say how much we are indebted to him for the smooth working of the Wharf Company, especially during the past six years, and we should not have arrived at our present condition if it had not been for the harmonious working of every man in the Company. I thank you all very much for the kind way in which you accepted my decision, even when it has been against yourselves. That is the true way to success. I hope you will always continue to give the same measure of support to Mr. Brown as you have given me. This concern is worked by men of various parts of the world—Europe, India and China, and I think that is an object lesson, showing how good results can be obtained by mutual association and by mutual respect, one for the other. It has ever been my aim to do the best I can not only for the shareholders but for the employees. I am very sorry indeed that we have had misfortunes, but I could not do more. I think, however, that our misfortunes are past, and I think from now onwards you will have prosperous times. I thank you very much for those kind gifts, which will always remind me in England of the days in Kowloon, and when in the summer in England, which is not like your summer here, I shall look upon these gifts and sit in these chairs in comfort. I shall think of you sweltering in the heat of Kowloon. (Applause.)

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This concluded the indoor ceremony. Mr. Osborne was given a characteristically Chinese send-off from Kowloon, which he left for Hongkong on a Star Ferry boat. At the entrance to the

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SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA ...	WAKASA MARU, Capt. N. Nielsen, Tons 12500	(WEDNESDAY, 12th Feb., at Noon)
MAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA ...	ATSUTA MARU, Capt. J. Nagao, Tons 16,000	(WEDNESDAY, 26th Feb., at Daylight)
KOBE & YOKOHAMA ...	MIYASAKI MARU, Capt. K. Sodeya, Tons 12000	(THURSDAY, 13th Feb., at 11 a.m.)
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SHIZUOKA MARU	12,500	25th February.
TAMBA MARU	12,500	11th March.
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Steamers to COLOMBO	Leave Hongkong	Connecting Steamers from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES and LONDON	Due MARSEILLES (Brindisi 2 days earlier)	Due PLYMOUTH (London 1 day later)
WIMBLEDON ... 7000	noon, Sat'day, Feb. 15	Steamer MOREA ... 11,000	Saturday, Mar. 15	Friday, Mar. 21
EVANHA ... 8000	March 1	MARMORA ... 10,500	Mar. 29	April 4
ELITA ... 8000	Mar. 15	MEDINA ... 13,500	April 12	April 18
INDIA ... 8000	Mar. 29	Through Steamer MONGOLIA, 10,000	April 24	May 2
ASSAYE ... 7500	April 12	MACEDONIA 10,500	May 10	May 16
DEVAN HA ... 8000	April 26	MALWA ... 11,000	May 24	May 30
CHINA ... 8000	May 10	Sunday, June 7	June 13	Saturday, June 19
DELTA ... 8000	May 24	MOULtan ... 10,000	June 22	June 28
ASSAYE ... 7500	June 7	MOREA ... 11,000	July 5	July 12

Passengers change Steamers at COLOMBO, and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at PORT SAID.

Accommodation in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved in Hongkong at the time of Booking.

FARES TO LONDON.

1st SALOON £71.10 SINGLE £106.14 RETURN.

£48.8 £72.18

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE MAIL STREAMERS

INTERMEDIATE (NON-TRANSIT) STEAMERS WILL LEAVE FOR.

LONDON.

CARRYING 1ST AND 2ND SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

PROPOSED SAILINGS:

Steamers	Leave Hongkong	Due MARSEILLES	Due LONDON
AUNDA ... 5000	about February 5	March 9	March 19
GARDINIA ... 7000	February 19	March 23	April 2
BOMALI ... 7000	March 5	April 6	April 16
HAMUR ... 7000	March 19	April 20	April 30
HANKIN ... 7000	April 2	May 4	May 14
EVANZA ... 7000	April 18	May 18	May 28
MORE ... 7000	April 30	June 3	June 13
NILE ... 7000	May 14	June 17	June 27

These Steamers call also at SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and at MARSEILLES, as noted

FARES TO LONDON.

1st SALOON £55.0 SINGLE £92.10 RETURN.

2nd £38.10 " £37.4 "

All Passenger Steamers are fitted with the Marconi System of Wireless Telegraphy.

For further particulars apply to

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FRENCH MAIL LINES.FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM EUROPE,
Via SUEZ CANALFORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM JAPAN,
Via SHANGHAI.STEAMERS CAPTAIN TO SAIL.
SHANGHAI, KOBE AND PAUL LECAT, Lancelet, 10th Feb., about 6 P.M.

YOKOHAMA ... YOKOHAMA.

MAGELLAN, 11th February, at 1 P.M.

TRANSSHIPPING on the Co's Steamers at COLOMBO for CALCUTTA, BOMBAY and AUSTRALIA, at PORT SAID for the LEVANT, CONSTANTINOPLE and BLACK SEA.

Through Tickets to LONDON, via PARIS, from £27.10 up to £71.10. 20 hours railway from MARSEILLE to LONDON. Interpreters meet passengers on their arrival in MARSEILLE.

For further particulars apply to

P. THOMAS, Agent,
QUEEN'S BUILDING.**HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.**

IN CONJUNCTION WITH

Deutsche Dampfschiffahrts-Gesellschaft, 'HANSA.'

REGULAR SAILINGS FROM JAPAN, CHINA AND PHILIPPINES,
VIA STRAITS AND COLOMBO.TO MARSEILLE, HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG, & TO NEW YORK,
AND FROM HONGKONG, MANILA & JAPAN TO VANCOUVER (B.C.)
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TAKING Cargo at through Rates to all European, North Continental and British Ports, also Trieste, Lisbon, Oporto, Marseilles, Genoa, and other Mediterranean Seaports, Black Sea and Baltic Ports, and North and South American Ports.

NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

Outward.

(Homeward.

For Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama

For Marseilles, Bremen, Hamburg & Antwerp

S.S. SUEVIA ... 12th Feb.

S.S. O.J.D. AHLERS ... 15th Feb.

S.S. SILESIA ... 16th Feb.

S.S. SCHWARZBURG ... 28th Feb.

S.S. SPEZIA ... 8th Mar.

S.S. SCANDIA ... 10th Mar.

S.S. SITHONIA ... 22nd Mar.

S.S. LIBEENA ... 28th April.

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HONGKONG-BOSTON & NEW YORK.

AMERICAN ASIATIC S. S. CO.

FOR BOSTON, NEW YORK, via PORTS
AND SUEZ CANAL.

(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT THE MALABAR COAST).

S.S. INDEADEO ... On or about 26th February, 1913.

For Freight and further information apply to

SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO.

General Agents.

Hongkong, January 23, 1913.

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SHIPPING

THE BANK LINE, LTD.

(ANDREW WEIR & CO.)

REGULAR SERVICE FROM HONGKONG TO
VICTORIA, VANCOUVER, B.C., SEATTLE, and
TACOMA.

via SHANGHAI & JAPAN PORTS.

Carrying Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Overland Common Points

Steamer	Sailing
.....	EARLY MARCH.....

To be followed by other steamers of the Company at regular intervals.
The BANK LINE Steamers are of the Newest Design, have most Convenient Accommodation and are fitted throughout with Electric Light and Wireless Telegraphy.Special Parcel Express to American and Canadian Points.
Will call at AMoy and KEELUNG if sufficient inducement offers.

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REGULAR SERVICE FROM

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Operated by Steamers of the
AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN & AMERICAN & ORIENTAL LINES.
Steamer early.

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MANAGING AGENTS.

AFRICAN LINES.**ORIENTAL AFRICAN LINE.**

REGULAR Direct Service from Japan, China, and Straits to BEIRA, DELAGOA BAY, Durban, East London, Port Elizabeth and Cape Town, calling at Mauritius if sufficient inducement offers, and affording the Quickest Freight Transport from the Orient to South Africa.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.

S.S. DUNERIC, 8,000 tons.....End of February.

And regularly thereafter.

For rates of Freight or regularly Passage apply to

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED,

Managing Agents.

INDIAN AFRICAN LINE.

CARGO carried on through Bills of Lading from HONGKONG to BEIRA, DELAGOA BAY, DURBAN (NATAL), EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH and CAPE TOWN with transhipment at COLOMBO to steamers of the Indian African Line.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.

FROM HONGKONG.

TO COLOMBO.

15th Feb. Connecting with s.s. Tymeric 2nd March.

For Rates and further information, apply to

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED,

(MANAGING AGENTS).

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW AND RETURN.

(Owing to 9 to 10 Days).

HAIMUN Capt. J. W. Evans ... SUNDAY, 9th Feb., at 10 A.M.

Steamers will arrive at, and depart from the Company's Wharf near Blake Pier.

For Freight and Passage, apply to

SHIPPING

AUSTRIAN LLOYD.

(Under Mail Contract with the Austrian Government).

MONTHLY FAST DIRECT SERVICE TO TRIESTE,
VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID.

Accelerated Train Service from TRIESTE to Paris, London and Berlin.

S.S. BOHEMIA, 7,900 tons, will leave an above on 13th February, at 5 p.m.
S.S. AFRICA, 8,840 tons, will leave an above on 13th March, at 5 p.m.

Cheap rates Hongkong-Trieste, VENICE £20 1st class, £26 2nd class & £19 3rd class.

Superior accommodation for 1st and 2nd Class and Cabin passengers. No surface no tops, no inside Cabins, excellent cuisine, Doctor, Laundry, Wireless Telegraphy.

TO SHANGHAI,

S.S. BOHEMIA, 7,900 tons, will leave an above on 29th January, at Daylight.

S.S. AFRICA, 8,840 tons, will leave an above on 1st March, at Daylight.

Cheap rates Hongkong-Shanghai £6 1st class, £4 2nd class and £3 3rd class.

TO KORE,

S.S. BOHEMIA, 7,900 tons, will leave an above about 3rd March.

TO AUSTRIA, 14,000 tons, will leave an above about 2nd March.

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ROSS'S

Royal Belfast

Ginger Ale

Price per Barrel of 10 doz. \$30.00

ROSS'S

Belfast Dry

Ginger Ale

Price per case of 5 doz. - - \$16.00

We have been appointed Sole Agents in South China for the above and would appreciate enquiries.

MacEwen, Frickel & Co.,

HONGKONG, CANTON.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

January 7, Mendavia, Nile.

January 10, Belomond, Estonia.

January 14, Australien, Liberia.

Pingyin, Prima, Sweden.

January 17, Andalusia, Austria, Errol,

Silvia, Yangtze.

January 21, Miyazaki Maru, Myrmidon,

Sicilia, Ecclesia.

January 24, Moyune, Perseus, Sicilia,

Glenfury, Nanking.

January 28, Beaufort, Calcas,

Indonesia, Alesa, Annan.

January 31, Denbighshire, Kitano Maru,

Nera, Ningchow, Sachsen, Egermont Castle,

February 4, Ithomeneus, Larvae, Eleric.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

Made.

The M. C. Co.'s.s. Paul Legui, with the

French Mail, is expected to arrive

here on Monday, the 10th February.

The C. P. I. Co.'s.s. R.M.S. Montezuma left

Vancouver, B.C., for Hongkong (via

usual Port of Call) on Monday, the

27th January, a.m.

The P. M. S. Co.'s.s. Mongolia arrived

at San Francisco on Tuesday, the 4th

February.

Other Vessels.

The Shire Line, Ltd.'s.s. Den of Crombie

from London, left Singapore for

Hongkong on the 1st February, due

Hongkong on the 8th February.

The I. O. S. N. Co., Ltd.'s.s. Kuangsheng

left Shanghai for Hongkong on the

4th February, due Hongkong on the

8th February.

The French s.s. Phuyen left Saigon on

the 4th February for that port, and is due

to arrive here on or about the 8th Feb.

The Mogul Line's.s. Atholl sailed from

Singapore for Hongkong on the 1st Feb.,

and is due here on or about Saturday

next, the 8th February.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s.s. Namur left

Singapore for this port on the 3rd

February, at 6 p.m., and is due here

on the 9th February, at about 6 a.m.

The R. V. F. s.s. Kestrel sailed from

Colombo on the 27th January, and is

expected to arrive in Hongkong on

the 10th February.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s.s. Thongara from

Calcutta, left Singapore on the 5th

February, and may be expected here

on or about the 11th February, a.m.

The H. A. L. s.s. Svera left Singapore on

the 5th February, a.m., and may be

expected here on or about the 12th

February, a.m.

Letters relating to business should be

addressed to THE SECRETARY.

Orders for extra copies of the "CHINA

MAIL" should be sent as soon as possible

as the supply is limited. Cash 10cts. Credit

20cts. per copy.

Alterations and additions to Advertisements

on Pages 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7

should be sent to the Office, No. 5, Wyndham

Street, not later than 11.30 a.m.

Alterations and additions to Advertisements

on pages 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 should be

sent no later than 2 p.m.

New Advertisements should be sent in

before 3 p.m.

Advertisements and Subscriptions which

are not ordered for a fixed period will be

continued until countermanded.

Telegraphic Address "MAIL" Hongkong

Telephone No. 52.

The China Mail, London.

The China Mail, Manila.

To-day's Advertisements

THE NEW TERRITORIES (HONGKONG) TIN DREDGING CO., LIMITED.
(Incorporated under the Companies Ordinance 1911.)CAPITAL, \$100,000
DIVIDED INTO 70,000 ORDINARY SHARES OF \$10 EACH.

Of the above shares, 50,000 ordinary shares are to be issued and credited as paid up, and as below mentioned the remaining 20,000 ordinary shares are now offered for public subscription payable as follows:-

PRESENT ISSUE.—There are offered for subscription 25,000 Ordinary Shares at par payable as follows:-
\$2.50 per share on application.
\$2.50 per share on allotment.
\$5.00 within 3 months of the registration of the Company.

APPLICATIONS.—Have already been received for 7,500 Shares, part of this present issue and are already guaranteed.

DIRECTORS.

F. D. BARRETO, Esq., of No. 3 Queen's Buildings, Victoria Hongkong, Merchant Messrs. Barreto and Co.

Dr. E. EVAN-JONES, of No. 18 Bank Buildings Victoria Hongkong, Dental Surgeon.

J. E. JONES, Esq., of Prince's Building Victoria Hongkong, Bill and Exchange Broker.

W. LOOAN, Esq., of No. 4 Ice House Street Victoria Hongkong, Share and General Broker.

G. A. TIDWELL, Esq., of Prince's Building Manager of the Russo-Asiatic Bank, Hongkong.

BANKERS.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

SOLICITOR.

MR. M. J. D. STEPHENS.

ATTORNEY.

MESSRS. LOWE, BINGHAM AND MATTHEWS.

GENERAL AGENTS.

MESSRS. BARRETO AND CO.

ADVISING ENGINEER.

MR. G. LANZIUS.

REGISTERED OFFICE OF THE COMPANY: 3, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, HONGKONG.

PROSPECTUS.

This Company has been formed for the purposes mentioned in its Memorandum of Association and primarily for the purpose of acquiring from Mr. F. D. Barreto, whose address is given above, the Vendor to the Company, of 640 acres of Mining Land, in the New Territories to be comprised in a Mining Lease to be granted by His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong, which 640 acres is at present included in a Mining Licence granted by His Excellency the Governor-in-Council to Mr. F. D. Barreto and dated the 14th of November 1912.

PROPERTY.—The property to be transferred by Mr. F. D. Barreto to the Company will be the Mining Lease when granted containing an area of 640 acres in one block and will be for a term not exceeding 75 years and the lease will be applied for immediately on the formation of the Company.

The business will be taken over by the Company as a going concern as from the day of registration of the Company, and the Company will have the benefit of all profits realized from that date.

TRANSPORT.—Transport is very reasonable as will be seen from the report made by Mr. G. Lanzius, an estimate of the cost of transporting Ore from the Mine to Hongkong being \$10 per ton.

RATES.—Reports have been made on the property by Mr. G. Lanzius, who has been prospecting the property for the past three weeks. Copies of both these reports are circulated herewith, and the originals may be inspected at the Office of the Company's Solicitor at any time during office hours up to the closing of the Application list. In his report Mr. G. Lanzius states that he has

meticulously inspected the 640 acres to be acquired, and has obtained an average value of 3 lbs. of Tin Oxide per cubic yard from the pits inspected.

He draws attention to the fact that the Tin Oxide is fairly evenly distributed through the deposit, and that the property is essentially a dredging proposition, and should be worked very cheaply, the ground being mostly free wash with small boulders.

PLANT.—In regard to Plant, Estimates have been prepared by Mr. G. Lanzius, the cost of Dredge, Smelters, Tin Store, etc., being placed at \$180,000.

CAPITAL.—This issue provides for the sum of \$200,000 and after allowing for cost of plant, etc., as above, it is proposed to devote the sum of \$70,000 for working.

PURCHASE CONSIDERATION.—The purchase price of the property has been fixed at \$600,000 payable entirely in Shares to Mr. F. D. Barreto or his Nominees, who will undertake in writing with the Company not to sell such shares on allotment, for a period of twelve months from the registration of the Company, nor to the sum of fifteen dollars per share.

MINIMUM SUBSCRIPTION.—The minimum subscription on which the Directors may proceed to allotment is 10,000 shares to be issued as wholly payable in cash, or payable as above \$2.50 on application \$2.50 on allotment and the balance of \$5 within 3 months of the registration of the Company.

RATES AND Royalty.—The Crown Rent payable in respect of the 640 acres is fixed at \$2 per acre per annum. Royalty will not exceed 5 per cent and is payable to the Government of Hongkong in respect of all Ores won. The Royalty of 5 per cent on all Ores so won compares very favourably with the duty charged by the Government of the Federated Malay States.

DEPRECIATION.—Provision is made for a depreciation on Plant of 10 per cent yearly.

PRELIMINARY EXPENSES.—The Company to pay the preliminary expenses and incident to the formation and floating of the Company, to the time when it becomes entitled to commence business, the estimated amount thereof is \$2,000.

QUOTATIONS AND GENERAL AGREEMENTS.

The following are the provisions contained in the Articles of Association as to the qualification and remuneration of the Directors and General Agents.

A person shall be eligible for the office of Director unless he is a shareholder holding at the least one hundred shares.

The Directors shall be

paid out of the funds of the Company by way of remuneration for their services, such sum as shall be from time to time determined by the Company in General Meeting, and the same shall unless otherwise determined by the Meeting be divided amongst them in such proportions and manner as the Directors immediately concerned by Agreement may determine, and in default of such determination equally.

The firm of Barreto & Co. of Hongkong their nominees or successors in their business so long as they or any one of the partners of the firm jointly or severally hold in their joint names or less than one thousand shares of the Company and shall be willing to act as the General Agents of the Company and their allowance shall consist of a sum of one thousand dollars per month for defraying the office expenses of the registered Head Office of the Company at Hongkong.

AGREEMENT.—In addition to the Lease to be granted the following Agreement will be entered into in connection with the Concession.

An Agreement dated the 30th day of January, 1913 made between Mr. F. D. Barreto of the one part and the Company of the other, part being an Agreement for the transfer or assignment of the lease to the Company.

The Directors of the Company are not aware of any contracts other than the Agreement referred to.

Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association and the above mentioned Agreement and Reports can be seen at the office of the solicitor to the Company at any time during business hours.

A copy of the Company's Memorandum of Association is printed in full in this prospectus and forms part of it.

Application for Shares must be made on the accompanying form, and forwarded to the Company's Bankers with the amount of the deposit. If no Allotment is made the deposit will be returned in full, and if the number of Shares allotted be less than that applied for the balance of the deposit will be applied towards the amount due on Allotment and any excess returned to the applicant. Failure to pay the amount due on Allotment will render the Shares and the previous payment liable to forfeiture.

The Vendor holds the right to further mining rights of about four square Miles adjoining the present Company's Concession. In the event of these or any portion thereof being disposed of to any person, syndicate, or Company, it has been agreed by the Vendor that he will deliver to this Company, for distribution amongst the then shareholders, one third of the purchase price, whether in cash or in shares, which he may receive as a consideration for his disposal of such rights, or part of them.

Copies of the Prospectus with forms of Application for Shares may be obtained from the Solicitor, Agents, Directors and/or Bankers of the Company.

This prospectus has been duly filed with the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

F. D. Barreto, J. E. Evan-Jones, Directors, Jan. 1913.

Dated PROFITS.

It is estimated from the Report attached of the Mining Engineer that the approximate output will amount to about 300 tons per annum.

(Dredge capacity of 1,500 c. fts. per day, and counting to recover 24 lbs. per cubic yard of Tin Oxide per ton.

Taking the price of Tin Oxide at \$1,200 per ton makes a gross value of say ... \$360,000.

WORKING EXPENSES.

For Dredge and Management at the Mines \$3,000 x 12 ... \$36,000.

Officers and Administration Expenses 12,000.

Directors fees say ... 3,000.

Royalty say 5% on \$360,000 ... 18,000.

Taxes ... 1,500.

Redemption of land ... 10,000.

Depreciation of Plant &c. say 10% 15,000.

Unforeseen ... 17,500.